

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9301–S9334

Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1664–1668, and S. Res. 263–265. **Page S9326**

Measures Reported:

S. 599, to amend chapter 81 of title 5, United States Code, to create a presumption that a disability or death of a Federal employee in fire protection activities caused by any certain diseases is the result of the performance of such employee's duty, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 111–75) **Page S9324**

Measures Passed:

Kennedy Caucus Room: Senate agreed to S. Res. 264, designating the Caucus Room of the Russell Senate Office Building as the "Kennedy Caucus Room". **Pages S9318–19**

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse 100th Anniversary: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 258, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S9333**

Honoring Fallen Firefighters in Southern California: Senate agreed to S. Res. 265, honoring the firefighters who sacrificed their lives while battling the Station Fire in southern California in August 2009. **Page S9333**

Measures Considered:

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 3288, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By 83 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. 275), Johanns Modified Amendment No. 2355, prohibiting use of funds to fund the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN). **Pages S9308–18**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, September 15, 2009. **Page S9334**

Appointments:

Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), as amended by Public Law 101–595, and upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy: Senator Rockefeller, ex officio, as Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; and Senator Cantwell, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. **Page S9334**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eric L. Hirschhorn, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration.

Barbara J. Bennett, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

Barbara Short Haskew, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2014.

Jeffrey L. Bleich, of California, to be Ambassador to Australia.

Leslie V. Rowe, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique.

Michael W. Punke, of Montana, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Laurie O. Robinson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Barbara Milano Keenan, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.